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(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding,
by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed
as follows: Nathan Wolpov, CPA
570 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10018

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of the) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

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Marsina Donnini , being duly sworn, deposes and says that

she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of

age, and that on the 17th day of June , 19 77, she served the within

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Notice of Decision by (xextified) mail upon Eli Haddad (Deceased)

Sophie C. Haddad, Sam E. Haddad, Hiram Haddad and Moysh Haddad

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by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed

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476 Avenue "T", Brooklyn, New York 11223 and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York.

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# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

#### TAX APPEALS BUREAU

STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N.Y. 12227

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

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June 17, 1977

Eli (deceased) and Sophie Haddad Sam F. Haddad, Hiram Haddad and Moysh Haddad, as Co-executors 476 Avenue "T" Brooklyn, New York 11223

Please take notice of the **Decision** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section(s) 690 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 months from the date of this notice.

Inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. They will be referred to the proper parry for reply.

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Baul B. Coburn

Supervising Tax Hearing Officer

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cc: Petitioner's Representative:

Taxing Bureau's Representative:

#### STATE OF NEW YORK

### STATE TAX COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition

of

ELI HADDAD (Deceased) and SOPHIE C. HADDAD SAM E. HADDAD, HIRAM HADDAD AND MOYSH HADDAD, Co-Executors

DECISION

for Redetermination of a Deficiency or for Refund of Personal Income Tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the Year 1966.

Petitioners, Sophie C. Haddad, and Sam E., Hiram and Moysh Haddad, as Executors for the estate of Eli Haddad, filed a petition for redetermination of a deficiency or for refund of personal income tax under Article 22 of the Tax Law for the year 1966. (File No. 01130).

A formal hearing was held before Paul B. Coburn, Hearing Officer, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York, on November 8, 1976 at 10:45 A.M. Petitioners appeared by Nathan Wolpov, CPA. The Income Tax Bureau appeared by Peter Crotty, Esq. (Frank Levitt, Esq., of counsel).

## ISSUE

Whether currency in the amount of \$6,250.00 discovered in certain safety deposit boxes maintained by the deceased and his widow, petitioner Sophie C. Haddad, together with the results of a field audit showing that the deceased and his wife had insufficient funds (\$11,050.86) for living expenses

in 1966, increased petitioners taxable income for the year 1966.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The deceased, Eli Haddad and his wife, Sophie C. Haddad, maintained safety deposit boxes at the Kings Highway Savings Bank and the Irving Trust Company. Following the death of Eli Haddad, the Irving Trust Company box was opened on September 9, 1966 and the Kings Highway Savings Bank box on July 5, 1967. The Irving Trust box contained \$950.00 in currency and the Kings Highway box \$5,300.00.
- 2. The Income Tax Bureau performed a cash-flow analysis for the years 1965 and 1966. For the latter year, the Bureau concluded that the deceased had additional cash requirements of \$11,050.86.
- 3. On August 25, 1967, the Income Tax Bureau issued a Statement of Audit Changes and a Notice of Deficiency in the sum of \$2,037.30 predicated upon the cash-flow analysis and the currency discovered in the two safety deposit boxes. (Additional sums of \$294.55 as unreported interest income and \$250.00 as unsubstantiated contributions are not in dispute.)
- 4. With respect to the currency discovered in the two safety deposit boxes, petitioner, Sophie C. Haddad, claimed that she received regular weekly allowances from the deceased, and that over a period of years sought to set aside relatively small sums of money for her four daughters and a grand-daughter. In fact, the currency in the Kings Highway Savings Bank box was found in five separate envelopes each bearing the name of a daughter or

granddaughter of the deceased, and containing certain pieces of jewelry as well. Moreover, it appears from the testimony of petitioner's representative, Mr. Wolpov, that the deceased's last will and testament bequeathed approximately 90% of his estate to his sons, and the relatively small remainder to his four daughters, and further that such testamentary bequest was entirely consistent with the customs and traditions of decedent's faith to exclude females from inheritance.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. That with respect to the \$11,050.86 required for the deceased's additional living expenses in 1966, a deficit not challenged by petitioner, no credible evidence has been offered to overcome the results of the Bureau's cash-flow analysis. The statements by petitioner's representative that the deceased handled large sums of cash, loaned and received cash in return, or that previous years' savings might have provided the requisite funds, were insufficient to sustain the petitioner's burden of proof that such monies were available to the deceased from a tax-paid source.
- B. That with respect to the \$6,250.00 discovered in the safety deposit boxes, the totality of circumstances surrounding the earmarking of these relatively small amounts of money to petitioner's daughters and granddaughter, the large testamentary bequest to the sons of the deceased and the testimony concerning the customs and traditions of deceased's faith are all consistent with petitioner's claim that such funds were household monies given to her by the deceased and set aside by her for the provision of her daughters over

a period of some 40 years, rather than unreported income of the deceased.

C. That the petition of Sophie C. Haddad, Sam E., Hiram and Moysh Haddad, as Executors of the estate of Eli Haddad, is granted to the extent that the deficiency calculated on the basis of \$6,250.00 discovered in the safety deposit boxes is erroneous and should be excluded from the computation of the liability; that the Income Tax Bureau is hereby directed to accordingly modify the Notice of Deficiency issued on August 25, 1969; and that except as so granted the petition is in all other respects denied.

DATED: Albany, New York June 17, 1977 STATE TAX COMMISSION

PRESIDENT

COMMISSIONER

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